



# Tennessee Crop Weather

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## RAINS IMPROVE CROP DEVELOPMENT

In West Tennessee, crops in most areas were doing well. There were still parts of the region that would welcome rainfall. Overall, crop development is progressing well despite rain missing some areas. Corn was beginning to dry down, soybeans were blooming and setting pods, cotton was setting bolls, hay baled, and dark type tobacco harvest was well underway. Producers took opportunities presented to spray for pests. In Middle Tennessee, rainfall, with some exceptions, was plentiful. There was even minor flooding in some portions of the region. Crops and pastures were mostly doing well. Some fungus in soybeans, downy mildew in pumpkins, and rust in corn occurred. In East Tennessee, timely rains continued to help corn in the late stages of kernels filling out. Rains improved the condition of hayfields. There were 5.1 days suitable for fieldwork. Subsoil moisture rated 4 percent very short, 26 percent short, 64 percent adequate and 6 percent surplus. Topsoil moisture rated 4 percent very short, 23 percent short, 66 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus.

CROP PROGRESS					CONDITION					
Crop	This Week	Last Week	2019	5 Year Avg.	Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Percent					Percent					
Corn – Silking	100	98	99	100	Corn	2	3	21	62	12
Corn – Dough	86	70	92	94	Cotton	8	9	14	57	12
Corn – Dented	43	11	57	61	Pasture	2	7	32	51	8
Cotton – Squaring	98	94	100	99	Soybeans	2	4	21	60	13
Cotton – Setting Bolls	88	79	90	90	Tobacco	5	10	29	44	12
Soybeans – Blooming	92	84	89	92						
Soybeans – Setting Pods	73	58	71	78						
Tobacco – Topped	82	73	83	81						